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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

YUJI YAGI, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/754,133

Filed: January 5, 2001

For: CIRCUIT BOARD HAVING SIMULTANEOUS
AND UNITARILY FORMED WIRING PATTERNS
AND PROTRUSIONS



Confirmation No.: 6471

Attorney Docket: 28951.2053 D1

Group Art Unit: 3729

Examiner: Chang, Rick Kitae

LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Applicants request written acknowledgement of receipt of the documents filed in the USPTO on March 31, 2008, in the above-identified application. Responsive to a Communication mailed from the USPTO on February 8, 2008, Applicants timely filed on February 28, 2008, a Request for Reconsideration of Decision on Request for Certificate of Correction.

Applicants review of the PAIR records failed to indicate the filing. After numerous telephone calls to the Patent Electronic Business Center, on March 13, 2008, applicants were advised to retransmit the documents along with the facsimile confirmation receipt, since the PTO could not locate the original fax transmission.

On March 13, 2008, Applicants retransmitted the Request for Reconsideration of Decision on Request for Certificate of Correction previously filed February 28, 2008. Applicants have since periodically checked PAIR, but to date, there is no indication of receipt of said documents.

Applicants request written confirmation of receipt of the Request for Reconsideration of Decision on Request for Certificate of Correction filed February 28, 2008.

The following documents are enclosed:

- 1) Request for Reconsideration of Decision on Request for Certificate of Correction filed February 28, 2008;
- 2) Facsimile transmission receipt of February 28, 2008;
- 3) Facsimile transmission of March 13, 2008 and transmission receipt.

Respectfully submitted,

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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF DECISION
ON REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

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Applicants' undersigned attorney received a communication from the Decisions & Certificates of Correction Branch, apparently mailed February 8, 2008, denying applicants' Request for Certificate of Correction filed July 11, 2005. Applicants hereby respectfully request reconsideration of that decision for the following reasons:

Despite the simplicity of applicants' 1-page proposed Certificate of Correction, a copy of



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Despite the simplicity of applicants' 1-page proposed Certificate of Correction, a copy of which is attached hereto as Appendix A, the February 8, 2008 communication simply states a conclusion that the "requested corrections change the scope of the claims," and that under the statute and rules the request is therefore denied. However, the February 8, 2008 communication in no way specifies what requested corrections would "change the scope of the claims." Surely, at least some of the requested corrections would not change the scope of the claims, and an

appropriate decision on applicants' long-pending request at least should have indicated which, among applicants' modest number of requested corrections, would, or would not, have allegedly changed the scope of the claims and therefore would, or would not, have been acceptable under the statute and rules.

For example, the first requested correction requests a change which is fully supported by existing language of issued claims 1 and 2 upon which claim 3 depends. Similarly, what is unacceptable about a change of wording from "desired" to --predetermined--; or from "to" to --onto--? Further, the two requested changes of the word "firing" to --sintering--, appear to be fully supported by applicants' specification, page 8, lines 2-4.

Applicants waited patiently for more than 30 months for the PTO response to their July 11, 2005 Request for Certificate of Correction. However, the February 8, 2008 blanket denial of that request leaves applicants without any substantive response from the PTO concerning which of its proposed corrections are acceptable under the statute and rules, as distinct from which of its requested corrections are believed by the PTO not to be acceptable under the statute and rules. Applicants believe that each of their proposed corrections is effectively a separate request which deserves a separate ruling from the PTO, including statements of specific reasons for such rulings, especially where each ruling is a denial of applicants' request.

Accordingly, applicants hereby respectfully request that the PTO separately indicate which among applicants' proposed corrections would be acceptable, and which among applicants' requested corrections are those which the PTO considers would change the scope of the claims in a manner unacceptable under the statute and rules.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

PATENT NO : 6,880,244
 DATED : April 19, 2005
 INVENTOR(S) : Yuji YAGI and Takeo YASUHO

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Claim 3, line 2 (Column 7, about printed line 47), change "additionally comprising" to --wherein forming the wiring patterns and the protrusions of the same conductive sintered material comprises--;

Claim 3, line 3 (Column 7, about printed line 48), after "film" insert --, the first groove having a bottom surface--;

Claim 3, line 4 (Column 7, about printed line 49), change "desired" to --predetermined--;

Claim 3, line 8 (Column 7, about printed line 54), change "to" to --onto--; change "board" to --substrate--;

Claim 3, line 10 (Column 7, about printed line 56), change "firing" to --sintering--;

Claim 10, line 5 (Column 8, about printed line 32), after "film" insert --, the first groove having a bottom surface--;

Claim 10, line 12 (Column 8, about printed line 40), change "firing" to --sintering--.

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